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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT : East-West Trade

1. The DCI approved a proposal made by the Director of Mutual Security and the Secretary of State and endorsed by the Secretary of Defense for the establishment of an Intelligence Working Group (IWG) for direct intelligence support of the Economic Defense Advisory Committee (EDAC). The terms of reference for the IWG were approved by the IAC on 25 July 1952 (IAC-D-53/1) and amended by IAC-D-53/3.1, 25 February 1953.

2. The Chairman of the IWG is Chief of the Economic Defense Division, ORR. By this arrangement, ORR has responsibility for providing current intelligence on East-West Trade in support of EDAC and other East-West Trade enforcement agencies. To be of any value, this information must be timely so that immediate action can be taken when required.

3. Any incoming papers dealing with East-West Trade should, therefore, be routed first to the DD/I area as having primary interest. O/DD/I will assume responsibility for coordinating with the DD/P complex in all cases where appropriate. A recent example, though unimportant in itself, was ER 4-2604, which was routed to DD/P for comments and to DD/I for information. DD/P's memo to the DCI dated 16 October 1953 (ER 4-7242) points out that DD/I should have been asked to comment.

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